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FOR: NOVEL PROTEINS AND NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING SAME

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

This paper is in response to the March 22, 2004 Office Action in connection with the above-referenced application. Please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Applicants also submit concurrently herewith: (1) a Petition for Extension of Time for three months, up to and including September 22, 2004, with the appropriate fee; (2) a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.132 of Dr. John MacDougall; and (3) Appendices A to G, references cited in this response. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same to Deposit Account No. 502648, Reference No. 15966-703 (Cura 203).

**AMENDMENTS**

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** are shown beginning on page 3 of this paper.